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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
ELECTRONIC DISTRIBUTION
OF PRODUCT REDEMPTION
COUPONS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 57 as follows:

57. (Amended) The method of claim [98] 56 further comprising the step of providing the retrieved information to a coupon issuing center for subsequent analysis.